

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 7-11, 15, 17 and 19. Please amend claims 1, 2, 4, 5, 12, 16, 18, 22, 23 and 26. Please add new claims 27 and 28. The currently pending claims after amendment are listed below.

1 1. (Currently Amended) A method of upgrading a computer program installed on a first
2 computer system, the computer program including an instruction a script processing module, the
3 method comprising:

4 receiving an upgrade object associated with the computer program, the upgrade object
5 including an a script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined script
6 instruction set adapted for use by the instruction script processing module to upgrade the
7 computer program, the script being not independently executable without the script
8 processing module, the upgrade object being generated on a second computer system
9 remote from said first computer system and transmitted from said second computer system
10 to said first computer system; and

11 performing an upgrade of said computer program by compiling and executing the
12 instruction set script on said first computer system with the instruction script processing
13 module.

1 2. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising instructing the
2 instruction script processing module to execute the instruction set script.

1 3. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the upgrade object is associated with one or
2 more prerequisites; and further comprising determining if the one or more prerequisites have been
3 met, said step of performing an upgrade of said computer system by compiling and executing the
4 script being performed responsive to determining if the one or more prerequisites have been met.

1 4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising automatically reporting
2 from said first computer system to said second computer system that the ~~instruction set script~~ has
3 been executed.

1 5. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the upgrade object is ~~suitable for~~
2 transmission transmitted from said first computer system to said second computer system by
3 electronic mail.

6-11. (Cancelled)

1 12. (Currently Amended) A method of upgrading a computer program installed on a first
2 computer system, the computer program including a script processor, the method comprising:
3 creating an upgrade object associated with the computer program on a second
4 computer system remote from said first computer system, the upgrade object including ~~an~~ a
5 script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined script instruction set
6 adapted for use by the script processor to upgrade the computer program, the script being
7 not independently executable without the script processor; and
8 transmitting the upgrade object from the second computer system to the first
9 computer system; and
10 instructing an end user to perform an upgrade of said computer program by compiling
11 and execute executing the ~~instruction set~~ script with the script processor.

1 13. (Original) The method of claim 12, wherein the upgrade object presents the end user with
2 instructions to perform a task.

1 14. (Original) The method of claim 13, wherein the upgrade object prompts the end user to
2 indicate that the task has been performed.

15. (Cancelled)

1 16. (Currently Amended) A method of upgrading a computer program on a first computer
2 system, comprising:

3 (i) installing a computer program on the computer system, the computer program
4 including a script processing module;

5 (ii) receiving an upgrade object associated with the computer program, the upgrade object
6 including a script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined script
7 instruction set adapted for use by the script processing module and a prerequisite field
8 containing one or more prerequisites for executing the script, the upgrade object being
9 generated on a second computer system remote from said first computer system and
10 transmitted from said second computer system to said first computer system; and

11 (iii) instructing the computer program to process the installation upgrade object, whereby
12 the upgrade object causes the computer system to:

13 determine if the one or more prerequisites have been met; and
14 responsive to determining that the one or more prerequisites have been met, instruct
15 the script processing module to execute the script; and
16 report that the script has been executed.

17. (Cancelled)

1 18. (Currently Amended) A method of installing a computer program into an instruction
2 processing environment on a first computer system, the instruction processing environment
3 including an instruction a script processing module, the method comprising:

4 receiving an installation object associated with the computer program, the installation
5 object including an script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined
6 script instruction set adapted for use by the instruction script processing module to install
7 the computer program into the instruction processing environment on said first computer
8 system, the script being not independently executable without the script processing module,
9 the installation object being generated on a second computer system remote from said first
10 computer system and transmitted from said second computer system to said first computer
11 system; and

12 installing said computer program into said instruction processing environment by
13 compiling and executing the instruction set script with the instruction script processing
14 module.

19. (Cancelled)

1 20. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the installation object is
2 associated with one or more prerequisites; and further comprising determining if the one or more
3 prerequisites have been met, said step of installing said computer program into said instruction
4 processing environment by compiling and executing the script with the script processing module
5 being performed responsive to determining that the one or more prerequisites have been met.

1 21. (Original) The method of claim 18, further comprising reporting that the instruction set
2 has been executed.

1 22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the installation object comprises a
2 ~~script suitable for transmission transmitted from said first computer system to said second~~
3 ~~computer system~~ by electronic mail.

1 23. (Currently Amended) A method of installing a computer program into an instruction
2 processing environment on a first computer system, the instruction processing environment
3 including an instruction a script processing module, the method comprising:

4 creating an installation object associated with the computer program on a second computer
5 system remote from said first computer system, the upgrade installation object including an a
6 script comprising a plurality of script instructions of a pre-defined script instruction set adapted
7 for use by the instruction script processing module to install the computer program into the
8 instruction processing environment on said first computer system, the script being not
9 independently executable without the script processing module;

10 transmitting the installation object from the second computer system to the first computer
11 program system; and

12 instructing an end user to install said computer program into said instruction processing
13 environment by compiling and execute executing the instruction set script with the instruction
14 script processing module.

1 24. (Original) The method of claim 23, wherein the installation object presents the end user
2 with instructions to perform a task.

1 25 (Original) The method of claim 24, wherein the installation object prompts the end user to
2 indicate that the task has been performed.

1 26 (Currently Amended) A method for upgrading a computer program on a computer system,
2 the computer program including ~~an instruction processing program~~ a script processing module,
3 the method comprising configuring the computer system to perform the method of claim 1.

1 27. (New) The method of upgrading a computer program of claim 16,
2 wherein step (ii) comprises receiving a plurality of upgrade objects associated with the
3 computer program, each upgrade object including a respective script comprising a respective
4 plurality of script instructions of said pre-defined instruction set, at least one said upgrade object
5 including a respective prerequisite field containing one or more respective prerequisites for
6 executing the respective script,
7 wherein step (iii) comprises instructing the computer program to process said plurality of
8 upgrade objects, said plurality of upgrade objects causing the computer system to execute the
9 scripts in a sequence consistent with said prerequisite fields.

1 28. (New) The method of upgrading a computer program of claim 27,
2 wherein there exists a plurality of different sequences of executing said scripts which are
3 consistent with said prerequisite fields.